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Introduced by:

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1 **Relative to congratulating the national AARP, Inc. on its 51st**
2 **Anniversary and the Guam Chapter 4837, AARP, Inc., on its**
3 **15th Anniversary, and to commend AARP in promoting**
4 **independence, dignity and purpose for older persons,**
5 **enhancing their quality of life and encouraging all "to serve**
6 **and not to be served."**

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8 **BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN**
9 **GUÅHAN:**

10 **WHEREAS, Dr. Ethel Percy Andrus and a group of founding members**
11 **formed the National Retired Teacher's Association (NRTA) which**
12 **transformed into the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) and**
13 **established as a national organization representing the interests of older U.S.**
14 **Citizens on July 1, 1958 in Washington D.C.; and**

15 **WHEREAS, Dr. Andrus, the association's first president, approved the**
16 **application for recognition of the first AARP chapter in Youngstown, Arizona**
17 **in September 1960. Twenty Six (26) years later, the Guam Chapter 4387,**
18 **AARP, Inc., was organized in 1984 and chartered in 1994 with over three-**
19 **thousand (3,000) members to date; and**

20 **WHEREAS, AARP stresses the importance of community service, an**
21 **active and useful life, self-actualization and development, AARP has**

1 continued to develop networks to form coalitions within the worldwide aging
2 community, promoting the well-being of older persons internationally
3 through advocacy, education and service.; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the chapter's mission is to represent AARP at the local
5 level, providing a link between members, communities, and the Association's
6 programs and services whose leadership and commitment to volunteerism is
7 an invaluable resource in strengthening the Association and making
8 communities better places to live and work for all people; and

9 **WHEREAS**, the chapter's goals and objectives set across a range of
10 functions including community service, leadership, communication,
11 recruitment, fellowship, advocacy and education; and

12 **WHEREAS**, AARP began to standardize the various operating rules and
13 procedures for its chapters in the mid 1960's and in 1965 the AARP Board of
14 Directors developed the AARP Chapter Bylaws, an important step in unifying
15 the organization into a viable national association; and

16 **WHEREAS**, today AARP is a dynamic force in being the most
17 successful and acknowledged organization in the United States for positive
18 social change, in delivering on the promise to each member in helping them
19 make their own choices and reaching their goals and dreams, in making the
20 most of life after the age of fifty (50), and in being a world leader on the issue
21 of global ageing; and

22 **WHEREAS**, Guam Chapter 4387, AARP Inc., has been a distinguished
23 recipient of the Annual AARP Chapter Community Service Award, in
24 sponsoring political debates, and in bringing the AARP Medicare

1 Supplemental Plan 1 and the AARP Life Insurance Plan available to members
2 of the Guam Chapter 4387, AARP, Inc.; and

3 **WHEREAS**, AARP now has offices in each of the fifty (50) states, the
4 District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Together, states
5 and chapters provide a highly visible, positive image of the Association
6 regionally and locally, working in tandem to carry out AARP's advocacy,
7 education, and service responsibilities; now, therefore, be it

8 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina' Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does herby, on
9 behalf of the people of Guam, congratulate the national AARP, Inc. on its 51st
10 Anniversary and the Guam Chapter 4837, AARP, Inc., on its 15th Anniversary
11 and commend AARP in promoting independence, dignity and purpose for
12 older persons, enhancing their quality of life and encouraging all to serve and
13 not to be served; and be it further

14 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the
15 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be
16 thereafter transmitted to Mr. Leland White, AARP Regional Director, Mr. Tom
17 Barcinas, President, Guam Chapter 4837 AARP, Inc.; and to the Honorable
18 Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahren Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA' TRENTA NA
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE _____ DAY OF
_____ 2009.**

JUDITH T. WONPAT
Speaker

TINA ROSE MUÑA-BARNES
Secretary of the Legislature